



**Request  
For  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
Transmittal**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number	09/504,239
Filing Date	February 15, 2000
First Named Inventor	Bruce L. Davis
Group Art Unit	2625
Examiner Name	Yon Jung Couso
Attorney Docket Number	60114L

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, File Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule 65 Fed. Reg. 14864 (mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with Form PTO-1449 and stated reference.
  - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

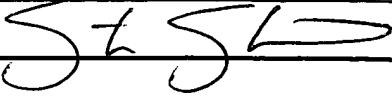
- a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, and any additional required fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-3284. 04/05/2005 AWONDAF1 00000020 503284 09504239
  - i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 02 FC:1801 790.00 DA
  - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 AND 1.17)
  - iii.  Other Petition fee of \$1,500.00

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION**

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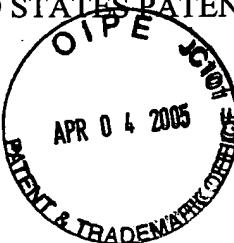
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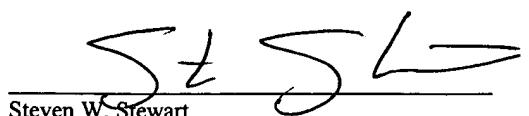
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Introductory Comments:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 15, 2004, please amend the application as follows: